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TAGS: PFOR, CA, OVIP (TRUDEAU, PIERRE)

SUBJECT: MEDIA REACTION: TRUDEAU VISIT TO WASHINGTON

REF: OTTAWA 610

1. THE PROVINCE EDITORIAL OF FEBRUARY 23 FINDS TRUDEAU'S ADDRESS TO CONGRESS "AN EXCEEDINGLY PERSUASIVE RESPONSE" TO LEVESQUE'S "DECLARATION OF QUEBEC INDEPENDENCE" AND DECLARES UNEQUIVOCALLY THAT "THIS TRUDEAU SPEECH SHOULD BE THE CORNERSTONE OF THE NEW CONFEDERATION. IF IT IS, WE CAN BE CONFIDENT THAT CANADA WILL SURVIVE."
  2. EDITORIAL STATES THAT "EVERY LINE MR. TRUDEAU UTTERED WAS A CHAKKEBGE TO THE AMERICAN PEOPLE TO DISMISS AS OUTDATED THE LEVESQUE ASSERTION THAT QUEBEC INDEPENDENCE IS INEVITABLE OR THAT THE DISSOLUTION OF CANADA IS NECESSARY TO SATISFY QUEBEC'S YEARNING FOR CULTURAL OR INDIVIDUAL LIBERTY." IT LAUDED FACT THAT PM LAID CANADA'S PROBLEMS OUT IN THE OPEN AND "PUT THEM IN THE CONTEMPORARY AMERICAN CONTEXT" OF CONDUCTING A "GREAT SOCIAL REVOLUTION" THROUGH THE DEMOCRATIC PROCESS. EDITORIAL AGREES THAT THERE MUST BE "ACCOMMODATIONS" BY ENGLISH-CANADIANS TO REMOVE QUEBEC'S "SENSE OF INSECURITY." "IF WE REFUSED THEM, WE MIGHT BE DOING AS MUCH AS THOSE FEW QUEBECKERS TO DESTROY THE NOBLE CANADIAN EXPERIMENT."
  3. PROVINCE NEWS SERVICE (WASHINGTON DATELINE) QUOTES U.S.
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- OFFICIAL AS SAYING THAT PM HAD ADDED "A GREAT DEAL OF UNDERSTANDING" TO THE U.S. PERCEPTION OF THE QUEBEC QUESTION AND THAT IT WAS TIME FOR CANADA TO WORK OUT ITS INTERNAL CONCERNS ALONE "WITHOUT FURTHER COMMENT FROM US."
4. PRESS CLIPPINGS BEING MAILED TO EMBASSY AND EUR/CAN.
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